

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 were under consideration. Claims 5-6 and 8-43 are canceled. Claims 1-4 have been amended. No new matter is added.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections.

Claims 1-7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. In accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, Applicants have amended Claims 1,2 and 4 to replace the term "migrating facilitating protein with "an epitope in the human laminin 5 alpha 3 G4-5 domain". Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Claims 1-4 and 7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by Carter *et al.*, U.S. Patent no. 6,120,991. Without conceding to the correctness of the rejection, to further prosecution Applicants have amended independent Claim 1 to recite "a monoclonal antibody". In view of the amendment, Applicants respectfully submit that the present claims are free of the art, as they are commensurate in scope with Claim 6, for which the rejection was withdrawn. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Claims 2 and 4 have been rejected as being in improper dependent format. The claims have been amended and are rewritten in independent form. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

CONCLUSION

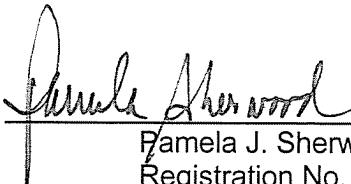
Applicant submits that all of the claims are now in condition for allowance, which action is requested. If the Examiner finds that a Telephone Conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number STAN-541.

Respectfully submitted,

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